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RES2019-033

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH FULTON ESTABLISHING A 2020 CENSUS CITIZEN TASK FORCE AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

(Sponsored by Mayor Edwards and Councilperson Willis)

WHEREAS, the City of South Fulton ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia;

WHEREAS, the duly elected governing authority of the City is the Mayor and City Council ("City Council");

WHEREAS, the City Council is committed to ensuring that every resident is counted in the 2020 Census;

WHEREAS, an accurate census helps to ensure fair representation at all levels of government, including Georgia's representation in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as just redistricting of state and local legislative seats and voting districts;

WHEREAS, the 2020 census will directly impact the City's entitlement to state and federal funding and grants;

WHEREAS, Census data is a vital tool for economic development and increased employment; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution will help to ensure an accurate and fair 2020 Census count in the best interests of the health and general welfare of the City, its residents and general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City Council hereby establishes a 2020 Census Citizen Task Force ("Census Task Force") as follows:

(a) Composition and Appointment. The Census Task Force shall consist of three Councilmembers, appointed by the City Council, and up to eight City residents appointed by each member of City Council. The additional members, who shall be referred to as designated members, shall include one employee of the Department of Community and Regulatory Affairs, who shall designated by said Department's Director and shall serve as Secretary of the Task Force, and one

City employee with access to and familiarity with GIS, as designated by the City Manager. A Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be selected by the City Council.

(b) Term and Removal. The Census Task Force members shall serve a term commencing from the date of their first meeting, through December 31, 2020. The City Council may remove any Census Task Force non-council member at any time, with or without cause. Councilmembers shall serve through December 31, 2020 or until the end of the Council term, whichever occurs sooner. Any vacancy shall be filled in the manner which the member was appointed. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings shall automatically stand removed. The appointed members of the 2020 Census Task Force shall consist of the following:

 1. Chairman:

Mayor Edwards

2. Vice-Chairman:

Councilperson Gumbs Councilperson Willis

3. Vice-Chairman:

4. Member:

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(c) Meetings.

 Time. Census Task Force shall adopt a regular meeting schedule, and may hold special meetings, as they deem necessary in order to carry out their functions, with the exception that they shall hold at least one regular meeting every month April 2018 through April 2019. The meeting schedule shall be provided to the City Clerk for notice purposes.

2. **Location**. The City Manager, or his designee, shall coordinate the scheduling of City property for Census Task Force meetings.

(d) Quorum and Governance. Six Task Force members shall constitute a quorum and shall be authorized to act on behalf of the Census Task Force. The Census Task Force shall be governed procedurally by Robert's Rules of Order, as it is revised from time to time, and shall conduct their meetings in accordance with all applicable local and state laws, including the Georgia Open Meetings Act.

(e) Duties. The Census Task Force shall be responsible for establishing a plan of action, with anticipated costs, for accomplishing the actions proposed by the National League of Cities on the checklist attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Census Task Force shall confer with the City Manager and Finance Director to

discuss necessary budgeting for the proposed action plan. The proposed action plan shall be submitted in writing to the City Council for approval, at the Census Task Force's earliest availability. ********* Section 2. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that: (a) All sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Resolution are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional. (b) To the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution. No section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution. (c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Resolution shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Resolution. Section 3. All Resolutions and parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed. Section 4. The effective date of this Resolution shall be the date of adoption unless provided otherwise by the City Charter or state and/or federal law.

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